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Applicants wish to disclose the following information.

## REFERENCES

- ☒ Enclosed is a copy of the Search Report which issued in connection with European Patent Application No. 01 11 6394, which corresponds to the subject U.S. patent application. Applicants wish to make of record the references cited in this Search Report. However, because the two German documents cited are not in English, Applicants have attached English language abstracts to the front of each German document. Complete copies of the patents are enclosed and are listed on the attached form PTO-1449.
- ☐ A check is attached in the amount required under 37 CFR §1.17(p).

## RELATED CASES

- ☐ Attached is a copy of applicant's pending application(s) or issued patent(s) which may be related to the present application. These documents are listed on form PTO-1449, also attached.
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- ☐ Applicant(s) hereby request consideration of the attached information. A check is attached in the amount of the Petition fee required under 37 CFR §1.17(i)(1).

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